

MAN IS MISSING AND \$50,000 TOO

Jerome J. Smith, Prosperous
Bronx Truckman Who Worked
for Several Big Packing
Houses, Cannot Be Found.

SOMEWHERE IN JERSEY,
EMPLOYERS LEARN.

Made Collections from Retail
Butchers and Failed to Turn
Over Large Sums Before His
Disappearance.

It is now believed that Jerome J. Smith, the missing Bronx meat distributor for big packing houses, is somewhere in Jersey. His \$50,000 shortage became known he has not been heard from nor has his family had any word from him, as far as the meat establishments which have suffered can ascertain.

Smith left his home at No. 889 East One Hundred and Fifty-sixth street last Wednesday. The first intimation his family had that his accounts were not right was when they saw the news of his disappearance in the papers. Mrs. Smith has been prostrated ever since and is now ill in bed under the care of a physician.

Smith has interests in Elizabeth, N. J., and it is thought that after leaving New York he went directly to that place. He has relatives scattered about various parts of New Jersey, and inquiry is being made among them.

At the Smith home to-day it was said that the man must have been out of his mind. They declare that he had no vicious habits of any kind, that he was domestic in disposition and never gambled or drank. The story that he was a devout church member is denied by Father Abbot, of St. Anselm's church. The father said to-day:

"I do not know the man and never saw him in my church, but his children know here and one is the smartest boy in New York."

He had fifteen trucks and teams with which he did all the carting in the Bronx for the Armour Packing Company, Swift & Co., Condon Bros. & Co. and Nelson Morris & Co.

Collected \$5,000 a Week.

Mr. Smith not only delivered great quantities of meat to the retailers in the Bronx, but collected for the packing houses on an average of \$5,000 a week.

According to Ira M. Thompson, General Manager of Condon Brothers & Co.; Max Hirsch, of the Armour Company; and Mr. Hawes, of Swift & Co., Mr. Smith delivered \$10,000 worth of meat to them during the week before last and three days in last week. He also collected the \$10,000 from the retailers, they declare, but did not turn a cent of the money over to the packing houses up to the time of his disappearance.

"We can't understand it," said Mr. Thompson to the Evening Post to-day. "We all had complete confidence in Mr. Smith. We never had anything but admiration for him, for we looked upon him as a model man. He had always been punctilious in his business dealings and we had ample evidence that he was a man who led a clean life. We never heard him speak of the stock market or any other vehicle of speculation. We knew that he was a man of religious habits and that his fellow communicants in St. Anselm's Church held him in the highest esteem."

Shocked and Amazed.

"From this you can readily understand that we are shocked and amazed that he should have disappeared under the present circumstances."

"Since he disappeared we have made frequent inquiries at his home, but are unable to locate any members of his family. All we have learned is that the family is supposed to have left the city and gone to Jersey City. Our agents are making a careful investigation."

The members of the different companies for which Mr. Smith did the Bronx trucking say that after he had made collections last week he tendered checks on an Elizabeth bank instead of on the local bank as had been his custom. The checks all came back protested. Mr. Smith disappeared. He was last about it and appeared to be greatly surprised. It is believed that he was the matter adjusted, but since he made that promise nothing has been seen of him.

MORE STATUES FOR CHICAGO.

In Honor Respectively of Washington, Lincoln and McKinley.

CHICAGO, Oct. 5.—Plans for three statues of famous Americans are under consideration by the South Park Board. The most expensive of the monuments will be a statue of Lincoln, to cost \$100,000. It will surmount a great pedestal, with lions on either side. This statue is to be on the Front Park.

At the entrance of Washington Park a statue of George Washington is to be placed. The statue of George Washington is to be placed on the corner of the Corn Exchange Bank, behind the list of subscribers.

Commissioners of the Board of Parks, formally proposed to erect at his own cost a statue of William McKinley in the immediate vicinity of the State of Lincoln will compare with anything of the kind in the world," says President Foreman, of the Park Board.

DELEGATE TO BE TRIED.

Indicted for perjury Henry Farley, a walking delegate, who tried to establish an alibi for Sam Parks in the latter's trial for extortion, was to-day arraigned before Judge Newburger in General Sessions, for trial.

After Parks' trial Farley fled to New Jersey and was arrested and has since been in the Tombs.

Farley was brought into court to-day he said he had no counsel.

Assistant District Attorney Corrigan insisted upon an immediate trial. Judge Newburger assigned Lawyer Lewis to defend Farley and fixed next Friday week as trial day.

Have You a Room for Rent?
House, rooms and apartments for rent. Call on tenants when advertised in the Evening Post.

AUTO SMASHES INJURE MANY

Servant Had Gay Old Time with
Dave Hennen Morris's Ma-
chine and Came to Grief with
Female Companions.

HERBERT E. BOWEN,
WIFE AND CHILD HURT.

Merry Party from Philadelphia
Wrecked on Staten Island—
Boy Riding Bicycle Knocked
Down Has Narrow Escape.

Alexander Van Valin, a servant for Dave Hennen Morris, of No. 239 West Seventy-second street; his friend George Schaeffer, a hackman, and two companions, Eva Miller and Laura Lipton, were arraigned in the Morrisania Court to-day as a result of a wild automobile ride which ended in their colliding with a horse and wagon driven by Henry C. Mumbrauer at the approach to the Macomb Dam Bridge. Mumbrauer's vehicle was smashed and he was thrown out on his head. Fordham Hospital ambulance surgeons patched him up.

He will be able to be in court to-morrow.

The machine was damaged to the amount of \$1,000.

Mr. Morris and his family have just returned from their summer home in Westchester County, and Van Valin was commissioned to bring back Mr. Morris's big touring automobile, instead of turning it into the storehouse he took a trip down Broadway and picked up his friend Schaeffer.

Later they took up with the two women and then went for a ride through the Bronx. It was after day-break when they were speeding down Jerome avenue, headed for Macomb's Dam Bridge, where the machine collided with Mumbrauer's wagon. Policeman Philip J. Austin saw the accident and placed the automobile party under arrest.

Van Valin was charged with malicious mischief and reckless driving and his companions with disorderly conduct. They were discharged.

Many Other Accidents.

There were many accidents yesterday afternoon to the accident to Mr. Morris's machine. Eleven persons were hurt in other smashups.

Three of the victims are Herbert E. Bowen, twenty-nine years old, of No. 102 Jefferson avenue, Richmond Hill, L. I., his wife and their five-year-old son. Mr. Bowen is a publisher, with offices at No. 125 West 42d street.

Mr. Bowen lost control of his new two-ton auto while descending "Breakneck Hill," on the Highland Boulevard, at Dresden street and Jamaica avenue. While racing down the hill the machine swerved to the right and toppled over on its side, burying the three occupants under it.

Hundreds of persons in the neighborhood saw the accident and ran to assist the victims. The machine was lifted and the three were taken out. Mrs. Bowen was unconscious and an ambulance was summoned from the Bradford Street Hospital.

At the hospital it was found that she had received bad cuts about the head and chest, and possibly internal injuries. She is still in a critical condition.

Mr. Bowen's Son Hurt.

Mr. Bowen was cut about the head and hands and received a fracture of the right arm. His five-year-old son was badly cut about the face and his lower lip was split open.

The automobile was completely wrecked.

A second accident occurred on Bay street, Stapleton, S. I., the victims being Miss Gertrude Chapman, of Oakland, Cal., and George Barker and John Loveloy, of Broad street, Philadelphia.

They were members of an auto party that came over from Philadelphia to see the auto races at the Empire City track. The other members were William Horner, G. C. Churchill and a young woman, all of Philadelphia. On their return trip their route was by way of St. George, Tottenville and Perth Amboy.

The auto, operated by Mr. Barker, ran into a trench on Bay street, Stapleton, and the three occupants were thrown out. Miss Chapman was picked up unconscious. Mr. Barker was cut about the head and Mr. Loveloy was bruised.

They were taken to the residence of Capt. Denyse, near by, and were attended by Drs. Goodwin and Thomas.

An auto accident that proved fortunate for the victim was that in which the auto of John H. Hanan and Charles Marjolin, footers, collided.

Wants to Be Hit Again.

The boy who lives at No. 82 Eldridge street, was riding down Fifth avenue on his bicycle when he fell. Mr. Hanan's auto, operated by Arthur Livingston, hit him, and he was thrown under the wheel. The boy's head was broken and his foot was slightly injured. Mr. Hanan saw his child in the crash and called him to his office this afternoon and he would buy him a new wheel and give him a ride in the auto.

"My clothes are all torn," said the boy. "Mind," said Mr. Hanan, "I'll buy you a new suit, too."

"Geel! Say, run over me next week, too, will yer?" said Marjolin.

MEDICAL STUDENT MISSING.

Started Out for a Walk with \$1,000
In His Pockets.

PITTSBURGH, Oct. 5.—Bartholomew O'Brien, a young trained nurse and medical student of Chicago, who was on his way from Chicago to New York, where he was to complete his medical education, is strangely missing in this city.

O'Brien arrived here from Chicago Sept. 25, stopping to visit relatives. During the evening he started out for a walk, and has not been seen or heard of since. He had his ticket to New York and more than \$1,000 in his pockets when he disappeared. His relatives fear that he has met with foul play.

MRS. HERBERT E. BOWEN AND FIVE-YEAR-OLD SON, WHO WERE INJURED IN AUTOMOBILE ACCIDENT.



CLUNG TO RUNAWAY TO SAVE CHILDREN

Policeman Kreutzer Was
Dragged Many Feet, but Pre-
vented Horse from Dashing
Into Public School Pupils.

Patrolman George Kreutzer, of the East One Hundred and Twenty-sixth street station, to-day stopped a runaway horse at the crossing of Second avenue and One Hundred and Twenty-fifth street just in time to save several children from serious injury while on their way to Public School No. 28.

Patrolman Kreutzer heard shouts and saw a horse attached to a grocer's wagon coming driverless and at a fast gallop down the avenue. When the horse was about seventy-five feet from the crossing he grabbed the animal by the bridle. The policeman was dragged off his feet and carried many feet, but he hung on bravely. The horse fell when about six feet from the crossing, taking Kreutzer down with it.

The policeman's head struck the cobblestones and he received a severe cut over the right eye. The horse and wagon, which belong to Charles Twitt, of One Hundred and Seventy-sixth street and St. Ann's avenue, were not injured. Charles Twitt, Jr., the driver, on the wagon, said the horse had been frightened by an "L" road train.

This morning his family was startled by the shot of a pistol. Rushing up to his room to-day he found his dead body, partially dressed, stretched across the bed. Two gas-jets were wide open and unlighted.

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FOUND DEAD FROM GAS IN A HOTEL

James Leddy, Probationary
Doomed at East One Hun-
dred and Fourth Street Sta-
tion, Believed to Have Com-
mitted Suicide.

James Leddy, thirty-five years old, was found dead on the third floor of the Hotel Mary Conlin, at No. 271 Webster avenue, to-day. He is supposed to have committed suicide by inhaling gas.

Leddy was a probationary doorman at the East One Hundred and Fourth street police station, and lived at Haskin street and Schuyler avenue, Bronx.

The hold-up epidemic still rages in Harlem, the latest victim being Mrs. E. Hopkins, of No. 622 West One Hundred and Forty-third street, who was attacked and robbed by a well-dressed man and a woman together. Mrs. Hopkins, the driver, jumped out and picked me up. I didn't know I was hurt at first, but I felt like crying when I looked at my wheel. It was bent and broken, but you would hardly have known it.

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SON'S DEATH DROVE FATHER TO SUICIDE

Despondent from Grief and Ill-
Health, George Engel, Retired
Merchant of Brooklyn, Blew
Out His Brains at His Home.

Brooding over the death of his son, George Engel, a retired merchant, of No. 38 Suydam street, Brooklyn, shot and killed himself at his home to-day.

Engel had grown despondent and suffered from ill-health for the last few months. Before committing suicide he announced the contemplated fat to friends and family.

A year ago his son, whom he loved dearly, died unexpectedly. Engel said then that life was unbearable to him, and as long as his son had been taken from him he, too, might as well be dead.

This morning his family was startled by the shot of a pistol. Rushing up to his room to-day he found his dead body, partially dressed, stretched across the bed. Two gas-jets were wide open and unlighted.

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STRIKES WOMAN AND ROBS HER

Well-Dressed Negro, Who Hit
Mrs. Hopkins on Chest When
He Grabbed Purse, Is Sought
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ENDS LONELY LIFE BY INHALING GAS

Young Frenchman Is Found
Dead in His Boarding-House
with Two Unlighted Gas Jets
Turned On Full.

Edward Gore, eighteen years old, who had come to this country from France seven weeks ago, was found dead to-day in his room, in Mrs. Medison's boarding-house, No. 223 West Fourth street, with the gas jets turned on full.

Gore had been employed by Peckham, Little & Co., stationers, No. 63 East Eighth street, in which firm his brother is a partner, and had been in cheerful spirits until yesterday. Unable to speak English, he complained yesterday of his loneliness, and after dinner told his landlady that he was feeling so blue he would not go to work to-day.

When a chambermaid opened the door of his room to-day she found his dead body, partially dressed, stretched across the bed. Two gas-jets were wide open and unlighted.

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RUN DOWN BY AUTO, BUT BOYS ENVY HIM

Lad's Leg Is Hurt; Still, Million-
aire Hanan Has Promised
Him a New Bicycle and a New
Suit of Clothes Besides.

MESSANGER WAS IN CRASH.

Was on His Wheel in Fifth Avenue
and Couldn't Get Out of the Way
of the Big Machine in Which Rich
Sho: Man Was Riding.

"Geel! but I wish I was you—"
That is what the little boy friends of Charles Margolin, of No. 82 Eldridge street, the fourteen-year-old youngster who was run over by John H. Hanan's automobile yesterday afternoon, said to-day when he showed them the tightly swathed leg which was badly bruised in the accident.

There is cause for the envy of Margolin's playmates. For, besides a proper schoolboy's pride in the injury and the manner of its infliction, he can tell them of the millionaire shoe man's promise to send him a new wheel in place of the one shattered by contact at Fifth avenue and Nineteenth street with the swift-moving auto which bore Mr. Hanan and his wife, and his invitation to come around to his Broadway store for an automobile ride and a new suit of clothes.

There is but one drawback to the boy's happiness. His leg, which was bandaged by Dr. Reid, of the New York Hospital, immediately after the accident, is so badly swollen as to prevent his leaving the house and claiming the millionaire's promise. Every time there was a knock at the door today he looked up expectantly, thinking that perhaps the promised bicycle had been sent to him. Mr. Hanan took his address and very carefully noted it down in a small address book.

H's a Messenger Boy.

Young Margolin, since his graduation from the public school last June, has been employed as a messenger boy. His gray uniform and cap hung above the couch where he exhibited his wounded leg to an Evening World reporter and talked of his brief meeting with the millionaire.

"I was riding up Fifth avenue on my wheel Sunday afternoon," he said. "When I reached Fifth avenue and Nineteenth street, I saw a big automobile in front of me. It was traveling very fast and I turned the wheel sharply to the right to get out of the way. At the same time the automobile turned to the right and the wheel of the machine came against me. Mr. Livingston, the driver, jumped out and picked me up. I didn't know I was hurt at first, but I felt like crying when I looked at my wheel. It was bent and broken, but you would hardly have known it."

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NEW HOTEL FOR CATHOLIC WOMEN.

The House, Under the Charge of
Miss Mary E. Phillips, Will Be
Ready Next Week to Receive
Guests.

ANOTHER HOSTELRY IN VIEW

Called the Maria Paredes, and to Be
Run for the Benefit of Deserving
Young Women Unable to Pay
Much for Board.

Applications are coming in thick and fast for rooms in the new hotel for Catholic women at No. 29 West Seventeenth street.

At present the house is scarcely ready to receive guests, as it will not be completely furnished until next week.

Miss Mary E. Phillips, who is at the head of the new institution, has taken up her abode there, however, and receives all callers most cordially.

The house is to be run on purely a business basis, with a number of well-known Catholic women—whose names are at present withheld—backing the venture.

It is not to be in any sense a charitable institution. In connection with the organization, however, it is planned to run another house, which will be for the benefit of deserving young women of the Catholic faith who are unable to pay much, if anything, for their board. This will be a charitable charity, as usually understood by the term.

Charge Fair Rates for Board.

The Maria Paredes, however, which is the name of the new hotel, will charge fair rates for board, the lowest price asked being \$3 per week.

Accommodations will be arranged for thirty boarders, some of whom will constitute a permanent family. Eventually it is planned to build a large hotel, but the only restriction placed upon callers being that they must depart at 10 o'clock.

The Maria Paredes will be under the spiritual direction of the Jesuit Fathers, but they have nothing to do with the business of the house, and are not expected to come in evening garb.